

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace Paragraph [0051.1] with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

**[0051.1]** Referring to Figures 1, 12, 18 and 30, a fragmentary perspective view of a longitudinal steel framing member 12 having two upright steel framing members 14 and 16 fastened thereto is shown. Each C-shaped framing member includes a bottom wall and two side walls having a thickness in the range from 0.018" to 0.071". Additionally, each framing member may range from 33 ksi to 80 ksi as is well known in the art. ksi defined as is conventionally known in the art as thousand of pounds per square inch. As will be more fully described below, one or more fasteners 20 may be used to join the upright framing members 14 and 16 to the longitudinal steel framing member 12. While the following description is provided with reference to this particular configuration, it is readily understood that the fastening techniques of the present invention are applicable to any two or more adjacent members made of steel or other material having similar attributes to those of steel.